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C O N F I D E N T I A L TOKYO 9421

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SUBJ: VIOLENT INCIDENTS IN THE TOKYO AREA

SUMMARY. OVER PAST THREE DAYS, FIVE INSTANCES OF HIT-AND RUN VIOLENCE HAVE OCCURED, FORTUNATELY WITHOUT INJURIES OR SUBSTANTIAL DAMAGE. INCIDENTS ARE APPARENTLY AIMED PRIMARILY AT OKINAWA OCEAN EXPO AND SCHEDULED PARTICIPATION BY CROWN PRINCE. ALTHOUGH ONLY SMALL NUMBERS ARE INVOLVED, COORDINATED IS WORRISOME.

1. AT NOON JULY 12, THREE MEN AND ONE WOMAN RAN A RENTED CAR INTO THE SAKASHITA GATE OF THE IMPERIAL PALACE. POLICE ARRESTED ALL FOUR NEAR SCENE; ONE OF THOSE ARRESTED WAS A WASEDA UNIVERSITY GRADUATE. JUST BEFORE INCIDENT, GROUP HAD PASSED OUT LEAFLEATS OPOSING OKINAWA OCEAN EXPO AND PLEDGING TO BLOCK FORCEFULLY CROWN PRINE'S SCHEDULED AKJULY 17-19) OKINAWA VISIT. POLICE SPECULATE THAT FOUR ARE EXTREAMIST NOT FORMALLY ASSOCIATED WITH VIOLENCE-PRONE UNIVERSITY STUDENT GROUPS.

2. FOUR ADDITIONAL INCIDENTS--ALL OKINAWA EXPO RELATED--  
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OCCURED JULY 14. IN EACH CASE LEAFLEATS OPPOSING U.S. BASES IN OKINAWA  
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AND CROWN PRINCE'S SCHEDULED VISIT WERE PASSED OUT BEFORE TWO  
MOLOTOV COCKTAILS (FIREBOMBS) WERE THROWN IN EACH LOCATION. AT

TWO LOCATIONS, CORE FACTION (CHUKAKU) HELMETS WERE ALSO FOUND.  
ONLY ONE ARREST WAS MADE. FOLLOWING INCIDENTS WITHIN MINUTES  
OF 11:00 A.M.:

-- TWO MEN THREW TWO FIRE BOMBS AT EAST GATE OF JAPANESE  
DEFENSE AGENCY HEADQUARTERS;  
-- ONE MAN AND ONE WOMAN THREW TWO FIREBOMBS OVER FENCE AT  
HANEDA AIRPORT NEAR PLANES, BUT THERE WAS NO DAMAGE;  
--TWO MEN (ONE DETAINED BY PEDESTRIANS UNTIL POLICE ARRIVED)  
THREW TWO FIRE BOMBS AT MITSUBISHI PETROLEUM COMPANY OFFICE  
(APPROXIMATELY 100 YARDS FROM EMBASSY ANNEX);  
--ONE HALF HOUR LATER, AT 11:30 A.. TWO FIRE BOMBS WERE  
THROWN AT AN UNOCCUPIED BUILDING NEAR GATE 16 AT YOKOTA AFB.  
ACCORDING TO INFORMATION PRESENTLY AVAILABLE, THERE WERE NO INJURIES  
AND ONLY MINOR DAMAGE RESULTING FROM ALL INCIDENTS.

3. IN RELATED DEVELOPMENT, DCM AND OTHER CONCERNED EMBASSY OFFICERS  
WERE GIVEN EXTENSIVE BRIEFING JUNE 30 BY HIGH POLICE AGENCY  
OFFICIALS ON POTENTIAL SECURITY PROBLEMS IN OKINAWA DURING OCEAN  
EXPO PERIOD AND PLANNED COUNTERMEASURES. AS RESULT OF  
THIS MEETING, COORDINATION POINTS BETWEEN U.S. MILITARY ON  
OKINAWA AND POLICE HEADQUARTERS THERE WERE ESTABLISHED AND INFOR-  
MATION IS BEING PROVIDED TO AMERICANS THERE CONCERNING WHAT AREAS  
SHOULD BE AVOIDED AT WHAT TIMES.

4. COMMENT. ON HEELS OF AN ATTACK ON PRIME MINISTER MIKI AND  
WITH IMPERIAL FAMILY INVOLVED, POLICE AGENCY IS TAKING ITS  
OKINAWA PROTECTION TASKS VERY SERIOUSLY. SOME 2400 SPECIALLY  
TRAINED RIOT POLICE, FOR EXAMPLE, ARE SCHEDULED TO BE SENT TO  
OKINAWA FROM THE MAIN ISLANDS FOR INITIAL EXPO PERIOD. POLICE

HOWEVER, ARE LESS WELL-EQUIPPED TO DEAL WITH HIT-AND-RUN  
VIOLENCE OF KIND WE HAVE SEEN IN TOKYO DURING PAST THREE DAYS,  
ALTHOUGH EMBASSY CHANCERY HAS HAD EXCEPTIONAL PROTECTION  
THROUGHOUT JULY 14. PARTICULARLY WORRISOME ASPECT OF JULY 14  
INCIDENTS IS APPARENT COORDINATION, SINCE ALL OCCURRED WITHIN  
ROUGHLY HALF-HOUR PERIOD. WITH OPENING OF EXPO JUST DAYS OFF  
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(JULY 19), POLICE ARE UNDERSTANDABLY NERVOUS.  
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